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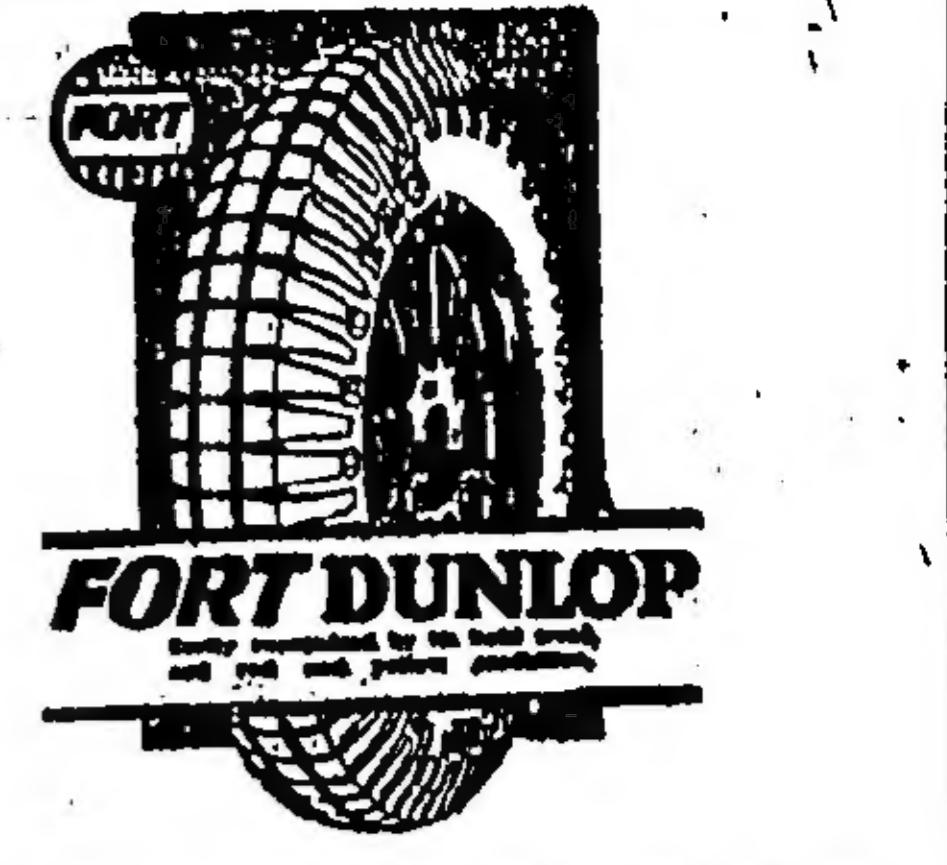
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TO-DAY'S DOLLAR.—The closing rate of the dollar on demand, to-day was 117½d.

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Local Branch, Pedder Bldg. Tel. 24554.

LEGAL STANDING OF PASSBOOKS.

Bank's Right to Reverse The Entries.

POSITION OF THE MANAGER.

That a bank passbook constituted in fact a statement of account in the same degree as the entries in the bank's own books was contended by Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., when the hearing was resumed, before the Full Court this morning, of an appeal against a decision of Mr. Justice Wood's as to onus of proof with regard to an account of Mr. Chou Po-sien with the Equitable Eastern Banking Corporation.

Mr. Potter, for plaintiff, Mr. Chou, continuing his legal argument, said that he would concern himself directly with cases that went to show that the onus of proof was upon the defence, to prove that certain items had been wrongly credited to Mr. Chou's account, and that they were justified in making reverse entries when this fact was disclosed.

Counsel contended that it was not possible to affect the legal position at all by a mere reversal of entries. As regards the passbook, it was an account, because it passed from bank to customer and back again. Entries in the book were evidence against the bank, and it was for them to do so as to get away from such evidence. In fact, it was up to the bank to establish a case which would justify the Court in hearing that case to make an order for the return of the money.

Bank's Own Admission.
"Our submission," counsel added, "is that the onus is on the bank, once it has admitted on the face of its own account that the credits in question had been received. There is then no scope for alteration of the account. The statement, with the reverse entries, is only Mr. Biggar's own view of what he thinks the position ought to be."

"When the passbook is sent by the bank," counsel continued, "it is in itself prima facie evidence against them. The account was delivered as a result of an order by Mr. Justice Wood. It showed certain items as having been credited. If the need for reversal later can be proved in a Court of Law it is up to the bank to do so."

No Precedent in Law.

In this case it is clear that both parties acted on the faith of the entries to credit. They were drawn against. But if my friend's argument is correct the credit items can be eliminated without touching the debit entries. We do, however, most strongly emphasise upon Your Lordships that there is no case in law to prove that after a reversal of entries, as in this case, there is any onus upon us to prove the account wrong."

At a later stage Mr. Potter urged that the onus of proof must be upon the person alleging the error, who, he claimed, was the defendant bank. Mr. Biggar had made the cross-entries believing in information supplied him by one of the bank's employees, a cashier, Li Chung-tai, that there had been an erroneous credit.

Issue Arising From Account.
Mr. Biggar, by his affidavit supporting the reverse entries, had himself raised a triable issue. It was indeed upon the face of the account that the whole issue was raised at all. It was raised in connection with transactions that the bank alleged took place in the bank's own office.

"We have not to prove the deposits," Mr. Potter claimed, "their own accounts admit them. We do not have to prove that any cash was paid in, even—, the entries in the books are evidence sufficient. Mr. Sheldon's submission that we must prove deposits we consider quite untenable. The bank have said that their own entries were wrong; but now they claim that it is up to the plaintiff to establish the fact of deposits."

Final Submissions.
Mr. Potter then made his final submissions, which were:—(a) The onus was upon defendants to establish their rights to the money, or to reverse the entries in the account; (b) Actually the reversal of the account by Mr. Biggar was not a statement of ac-

CANADIAN SUBJECT CHARGED.

Stowaway Alleged to Be C.P.R. Ex-Employee.

REMAND ORDERED.

The wanderings of a Canadian subject were related at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, when Henry Lee was charged with stowing away from Hong Kong to Rabaul on board the s.s. Bremerhaven.

"I worked for the Canadian Pacific Railway," he said, "but was laid off in October last. With money I had saved I went to Shanghai, and was there two months unable to obtain work. I stowed away to Hong Kong in February, and paid for that trip with a term of imprisonment. When I came out I again looked for work, living on sum of money that I had banked in Canada, and for which I had cabled."

Not Permitted to Land.
On finding no prospect of employment here I again stowed away, this time on the Bremerhaven to Rabaul. On arrival there the New Guinea authorities refused to let me land.

On board the ship I worked hard and on arrival back in Hong Kong the Captain did not want to prosecute me. He sent a note to the Superintendent of Police, who happened to be in bad mood, and persuaded the Captain to prosecute."

Sub-Inspector Elston said that the defendant's story was true up to a point. The Captain did not want to prosecute, but when he was informed that under the Vagrancy Ordinance he was responsible for the man he had no other alternative.

Defendant:—"If your Worship will give me the option of a fine I can guarantee that I can work my passage back to Canada. I have a little money, and every prospect of the opportunity to get back to Canada, where I shall be in time to resume my old position. If I go to prison I shall be too late."

A remand of 48 hours in Police custody was allowed to ascertain if the arrangements could be made.

KAMCHATKA STOCK CO. BONDS.

Price to Be Fixed at 3½ Sen to the Rouble?

DISPUTE WITH SOVIET.

Moscow, Yesterday.
In reply to the latest proposal of Baron Shidehara in regard to the fixing of the price for bonds of the Kamchatka Stock Company at 3½ sen to a rouble, it is officially stated that the Soviet are doing their utmost to reach a speedy and amicable settlement of the dispute.

In view of the early approach of the fishing season, the Soviet has consented to accept 3½ sen as a provisional price for the bonds, providing both Governments continue the present negotiations for a final fixing of the rouble on the exchange.—Reuter.

SHANGHAI FLIGHT.

Hanoi, Yesterday.
Mr. Ford was sent for Hong Kong via Fort Bayard.—Reuter.

count at all within the meaning of accounts. It was not a transaction which ever took place between the parties. It was merely Mr. Biggar's own contention as to what he claimed to be entitled to as a result of information he got from one of his own employees; (c) The credit items as shown in the account were clear evidence against the defendant.

Mr. Potter submitted that the judgment of Mr. Justice Wood was a correct one, that the onus of proof was upon the defendant, and that the form of the issue was a correct form.

Mr. F. C. Jenkins then addressed the Court on behalf of plaintiffs. He submitted that, even if Mr. Justice Wood's ruling were proved manifestly in error, it could not be reversed unless it could be shown that it had caused substantial injustice to the defendant bank.

The hearing is proceeding.

FREIGHT CHARGES TOO HIGH.

Reduction Needed for Tea and Rubber.

WORST YEAR IN HISTORY.

London, Yesterday. "Ceylon has made a wonderfully successful effort to reduce all the costs of its rubber, but there is one economy they have been unable to effect to the extent desired. They still pay 57½ per ton for rubber to be shipped from Colombo to London."

Thus Mr. W. Shakespeare, presiding over the annual general meeting of the Rubber Growers' Association. He emphasised that they had not abandoned hope of getting a reduction of the freight charges both on tea and rubber, "but they would renew their application perhaps more hopefully in the event of the Suez Canal Company meeting the reasonable demands of British interests."

Mr. Shakespeare described 1930 as the worst year in the history of the rubber industry. The had to face the fact that restriction was practically dead, and must give themselves to meet the situation.

He expressed the opinion that the potentialities of rubber for roadways were enormous. As regards tea, restriction of which was also dead, he considered that the question of tea propaganda "was by far the most important subject with which the Association was at present dealing."

Reuter.

COMPANY DIVIDEND

THE CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LTD.

We are officially informed that the General Agents and Consulting Committee of the Canton Insurance Office, Ltd., will, at the forthcoming meeting of shareholders to be held on Tuesday, May 19, recommend a final dividend of 3½ per cent. together with an "Exchange" Bonus of 10 sen per share in respect of Working Account for 1929, add £20,000 to the Sterling Reserve Fund, £100,000 to Reinsurance Fund, and £32,342.65 to Underwriting Suspense Account; they will further recommend the payment of an Interim Dividend of 18 sen per share in respect of Working Account for 1930, and that the balance of £2,361,244.06 be carried forward.

They wish it to be understood, however, that the continuance or otherwise of the aforesaid Bonus, in the whole or in part, will depend entirely on Exchange and it should not be viewed in any other light than that of a temporary measure.

GARAGE THEFT.

CHINESE CHARGED WITH RECEIVING.

Mr. Borandi, of the Lancia Garage, was the complainant before Mr. Williams this morning, in a case in which an employee of the garage named Chan Sum was charged with the larceny, and alternatively with unlawful receiving, of 16 pieces of brass fittings, the property of the Lancia Garage.

Defendant pleaded guilty to receiving, and the charge of larceny was automatically withdrawn.

Detective-Sgt. Flattery informed the Magistrate that a detective was on duty at the marine stalls in Wing Lok Street when he overheard a foksi say "I don't want them."

On searching the vendor (defendant) he found the brass concealed on his person. The Sergeant added that there had been much pilfering at the Garage during the past twelve months, but Mr. Borandi had been unable to detect any culprit.

Sentence of one month's hard labour was passed.

AIR MAILED.

Port Darwin, Yesterday.

Commodore Kingsford-Smith has taken off for Koepang with the first Australian-England air mail. From Koepang he will fly to Sourabaya, Singapore, Victoria-Point and Rangoon.—Reuter.

BRITAIN'S BUDGET

"PROPOSALS MIGHT BE WORSE."

LAND VALUE TAX

TORIES TO OFFER OPPOSITION.

London, Yesterday. The House of Commons adjourned at the conclusion of Mr. Snowden's speech, after Mr. Neville Chamberlain and Mr. Lloyd George had congratulated the Chancellor on his great effort.

The former said that some of the proposals of the Budget might be worse, but the others would be strenuously opposed.

Mr. Lloyd George said that one thing rejoiced his heart, namely, the proposed land value tax. This was mentioned by Mr. Snowden at the conclusion of his speech as the most important feature of the Budget.

Ministerialists repeatedly and loudly cheered him when he said that he meant to reintroduce the Land Valuation Bill, which pressure of business had prevented him proceeding with last year.

Mr. Snowden said that the experiment of Mr. Lloyd George's scheme showed the impracticality of attempting value and tax concurrently, therefore he proposed that the valuation of land be substantially completed before beginning to levy the tax. Therefore, the latter would not operate this year. Valuation would be concluded within two years of the passing of the Finance Bill.

Review of Finances.

Rugby, Yesterday.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Philip Snowden, was cordially received when he rose to open the Budget in the first speech he has delivered since his long illness.

The review of income and expenditure and debt operations of the previous year showed that the ordinary revenue amounted to £776,895,000 and the ordinary expenditure to £732,341,000, which was in excess of the estimate by only £532,000, largely as a result of savings on debt interest and management and other items. Nevertheless, after adjustment with the sinking fund, the total shortfall was £23,276,000.

The net result on the past year,

Mr. Snowden, was a surplus applicable to the debt reduction of £43,500,000, and apart from that there was a sum of £9,000,000 received as the proceeds of the German Mobilisation Loan, which has also been attributed to debt reduction outside the Budget. In reality there was a surplus of income over expenditure and it says much for the soundness of the National financial position that, after a year of unparalleled financial depression, we not only have been able to pay our way, but to make such a substantial reduction in the debt.

Fixed Debt Charges.

He announced that he was making no direct addition to the fixed debt charges, which would be £35,000,000, as laid down by the Finance Act of 1928. He confidently expected as the outcome of the recommendations of the Economy Committee that considerable reductions in expenditure would be made during the current year to automatically to the debt reduction.

He was proposing a change in the machinery for the collection of Income-tax, which would place the collecting service under a single undivided control, as recommended by the Royal Commission.—British Wireless Service.

Earlier News.

London, Yesterday.

Extraordinary precautions were taken to conceal the time of Mr. Philip Snowden's arrival in London from his Surrey home to make his Budget statement. Groups of people waited in Whitehall and Downing Street to welcome him but were disappointed.

This mystery enhanced the eager anticipation of his appearance in the House of Commons, for which from six o'clock in the morning members were busy securing seats. Hence the Commons was even more crowded than usual on Budget night, when Mr. Snowden, looking well, entered and rose to speak, at 3.38. He was loudly cheered by all parties. The Chancellor began by explaining that the usual financial review of the year was being circulated as a blue paper, as part of his speech.

Inland Revenue.

Mr. Snowden estimated the yield of inland Revenue at £337,000,000, consisting of £248,000,000 from Income-tax; £72,000,000 from surtax; £30,000,000 from stamp duties; and £3,000,000 from remaining items.

He hoped that the depression, which upset all expectations last year, had reached its limits and that better times were in store, but it would be a little time after the tide had do-

DEATH PENALTY FOR DRUG TAKERS.

Draconian Law to be Passed by Nanking.

INCREASE OF HABIT.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]
Kongmoon, Yesterday.

The death penalty is suggested as the remedy for the sale and smoking of heroin pills by Chairman Chan Ming-she, who discovered a large increase in the habit among the people of the Sze Yap districts.

Mr. Bendir's counsel, in making the application, asked for payment without prejudice on any question arising in the action between other parties, and suggested that if necessary Mr. Bendir should be added as the defendant in a future trial.

It is understood that the Government intends to pass this new law.

Minister turned before the revenue would feel the benefit and he must face the probability of a further decline in Customs and excise revenue, which he estimated at £228,000,000 or a drop of nearly £7,500,000 on last year's revenue.

The consumption of alcoholic liquors fell last year and is estimated for a further fall in revenue this year. This fall seemed to be a permanent tendency and from the point of the Nation's well being was to be heartily welcomed.

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The total estimated expenditure was £803,360,000, and the estimated revenue £766,000,000.

Before proceeding to take proposals he said that he was taking steps to reintroduce the Finance Bill to enable present holders of Savings Certificates to make an extension of the investment, and power for the loan to meet certain costs.

Tax on Motor Cycles.

In order to encourage the manufacture of a new type of light motor cycle now being rapidly developed on the Continent, he proposed that the annual tax on vehicles not exceeding 150 c.c. capacity should be limited to 15/- instead of the present 30/-. He was proposing a change in the machinery for the collection of Income-tax, which would place the collecting service under a single undivided control, as recommended by the Royal Commission.—British Wireless Service.

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HAVANA AS DIVORCE RESORT.

Easiest Way to Domestic Freedom.

APPEAL TO AMERICANS.

The path toward easy divorces, which for a decade has led to Paris, Reno and Mexico, has another turning leading to Cuba, where now sixteen causes are allowed. The old law hardly allowed legal separation. It forbade second marriage and consequently it virtually abolished divorce suits for that reason. In the old law there was the unmistakable stamp of church direction.

Sponsors of the law which went into effect last year indicated that it was this situation that they sought to change. After Spanish rule in Cuba ended and the republic was proclaimed there was an immediate movement to abolish the old law, barristers say. That it was too early to attempt so radical a step is now self-evident. Opponents fought it down on each attempt with the result that its partisans did not succeed in passing a new law until 40 years later.

The divorce law was expected especially to appeal to citizens of the United States. According to attorneys who have made a special study of it, Americans need only be present in Havana long enough

to have a transcription made of their marriage certificate and to grant power of attorney to their counsel. According to one of the leading divorce lawyers of Havana, when this is accomplished, the attorney petitions the court of first instance which reviews the evidence and recommends the case be heard before the Audiencia tribunal which corresponds in Cuba to a Superior Court in the United States. The attorney is empowered to present the testimony. He needs only to assure the court that the plaintiff intends establishing legal residence in Cuba. This is sufficient. The plaintiff may stop at an hotel for two weeks, then return home simply to await the process of law.

The plaintiff may choose the specific grounds or basis for the action if he or she chooses. But even this is not essential in Cuba.

The attorney, in the last analysis, will follow the simplest and easiest route to freedom, it is pointed out.

Grounds for Divorce.

The present law grants a divorce when one or both parties are guilty of cruelty, habitual drunkenness, cruelty to children, non-support, desertion, mental cruelty, habitual gambling and incompatibility. All, of course, are flexible. The charge need not have originated in Cuba, it is said, and Americans are not required to live on the island for any considerable length of time.

It is necessary for plaintiff or defendant to make court appearances only when both parties make a joint application for divorce on ground of mutual consent. In this case the court requires both parties to request the divorce. They are required to make three appearances at intervals of six months each, which means that, under this plan, dissolution of marriage requires one year.

Other Easy Ways.

Although this is obviously an easy way to obtain a decree, it is not as rapid as other available methods. The attorneys now specializing in divorce—and their ranks are swelling—assert that divorce can be obtained through court procedure in approximately four months.

Sentiment in Cuba, where there still are some who doubt the wisdom of such a liberal law, is divided. Under the existing conditions the churches have not expressed an opinion. In Cuba, where the church once virtually drew the boundaries, a religious marriage ceremony is illegal unless it is performed also by civil authorities. From this one may see that Cuba is hewing to the line in its separation of Church and State policy.

One group there is fostering a movement to grant every possible facility to the divorce-seeking foreigner. It would establish a standing committee on information through the Bar Association, shorten the time required to make the preliminary action, and ultimately abolish personal appearance of the couple who apply jointly for divorce under the mutual consent clause. This group is made up of English-speaking lawyers, some of whom campaigned for the new law. They expect soon to urge Dr. Rafael Gómez Inclan, President of Congress, to petition the President to make such amendments and provide all consulates and embassies with complete information on divorce in Cuba.

Cuba's new law may become something of a boon to persons in such States as New York, where divorce is obtained only after one or both parties have "abstained" or "circumstances" to necessitate a higher attorney's fee mentioned by the clique of legal men who are specializing in such cases. Their fee, they say, is approximately \$500, "unless there are circumstances to necessitate a higher attorney's fee."

BRITISH LEGION AND HAIG STATUE.

Plea for Something "More Pleasing."

HORSE OPTIONAL.

Major J. B. B. Cohen, the legless M.P. for the Fairfield Division of Liverpool, who is Hon. Treasurer of the British Legion, suggested at a meeting of the South Eastern Area Council of the Legion at Westminster that neither of Mr. A. F. Hardiman's two designs for a statue of Earl Haig should be accepted, and that the commission should be put to open competition.

"In some ways the second model is better than the first; in some ways worse," said Major Cohen.

"It is worse in this way—the first statue, I believe, never pretended to portray the figure of a horse. I think the sculptor had some allegorical idea."

"But the second looks so much like a horse that you realize what it is, and that it is not like a horse that anyone of us has ever used."

Race Pleasing.

"The face of Earl Haig himself is quite pleasing, although it makes him look thirty years younger than he was."

"To my mind—and to the minds of most people who have seen it—the sculptor has not delivered the goods."

"I am wondering whether the best thing that could possibly be done—I am not saying this discourteously—would be to pay the bill to this artist, and to put the statue out to open competition throughout the country, to see if we could not get something better and more pleasing. (Applause.)

"I don't know that the statue should necessarily be an equestrian one. It might be one of him standing up with his hands behind his back, as we so often saw him, or it might be one of him sitting at a desk."

The chairman (Col. C. F. Grant) recalled that he commanded a native cavalry regiment in India at the time when Lord Haig was Inspector-General of Horse.

"It was my duty to buy horses," he said, "and if I had dared to buy any like these two, or had shown him a man sitting on a horse like these two things, I should have been kicked out of my job by Lord Haig." (Laughter.)

Resolution.

It was stated that the following resolution would be put to the conference later:

"That this conference is of the opinion that neither of the suggested statues of Lord Haig submitted by Mr. Hardiman represent the Field Marshal as he was known to all who served under him."

They suggest that neither be accepted, and that the commission should be put to open competition throughout the country with no restriction as to the statue being equestrian or otherwise."

HIDING BOY BURNT.

FRIGHTENED WHEN FIRE BROKE OUT IN HOUSE.

A four-year-old boy, Percy Frederick Shearman, was killed in a fire which destroyed his home in Montgomery Street, Hove, recently. His mother escaped with minor burns but a lodger, Mrs. Dorothy Armstrong, aged 42, was trapped in an upper bed-room and was badly burned before firemen rescued her with ladders.

The firemen then forced their way to the kitchen, but no trace of the boy could be seen.

Eventually he was found hidden under the bed in a front bedroom. The mattress and bedclothes were burning furiously, but the boy was untouched. Death was from suffocation.

Mrs. Shearman was washing clothes in an out-house when she saw smoke coming from the kitchen where her boy had been playing. She tried to reach the kitchen, but was driven back by the flames. She said:

"I broke the kitchen window to try to get Percy. My hand was cut and my arms were burned. I could not get into the room."

"The boy must have become frightened when the fire began and ran upstairs to hide under the bed. My two other children were both at school at the time."

Embassy in Washington revealed that 40 per cent. of the requests for information came from residents of New York State.

Another argu that is said to have interested Americans is the low attorney's fee mentioned by the clique of legal men who are specializing in such cases. Their fee, they say, is approximately \$500, "unless there are circumstances to necessitate a higher attorney's fee."

INDIA IS BECOMING AIR-MINDED.

Flying Clubs and Their Good Record.

Speaking at the annual meeting of the Aero Club of India, and Burma Mr. H. A. Sami, who presided, said:

"We can, I think, congratulate ourselves on the work carried out during the year. Two new clubs

were formed, one in the Punjab and another in Madras. Ninety-three pilots were trained during the year and over 7,500 hours were flown, making a total of 11,500 hours since flying training commenced in January, 1929. From the number of inquiries we get it is evident that the desire of Indians to take to the air is steadily gaining ground."

"Three flights were made by Indian pilots between Britain and India and a great deal of cross-country flying is being carried out by club members in their own aeroplanes. Seventeen members of

clubs own their own aeroplanes; most of which were purchased during 1930. This is a very promising sign as one of the objects of the Aero Club is to encourage pilots to take up flying purely from the sporting point of view."

"There was a marked increase during the year in the desire of people in India to take up flying from the sporting point of view, and a number of pupils approached the Club with a view to be trained as professional pilots, largely with the idea of securing employment eventually in the Indian State Air

Service and also to be trained as ground engineers."

"His Highness the Maharaja of Jodhpur is now being trained by the Delhi Flying Club and is showing great promise of making a very good pilot. We hope other Ruling Princes will follow his example."

The Manitoba Agricultural College is planning to hold short courses for farmers and at present has arranged for two courses to commence in March, one in the Teulon and one in the Dauphin districts.

Nearly 100,000 tractors have been sold in Western Canada in the past twelve years, and of this total, more than half went to farmers in Saskatchewan, according to the latest estimates.

In three years more than 5,000 threshers have been sold in Saskatchewan, half the total for all Western Canada. In the past five years, Saskatchewan farmers have purchased 6,000 combines and the total for the West in that period was 9,000. Out of the 2,046 threshers sold in the West in 1930, 626 were bought in Saskatchewan.

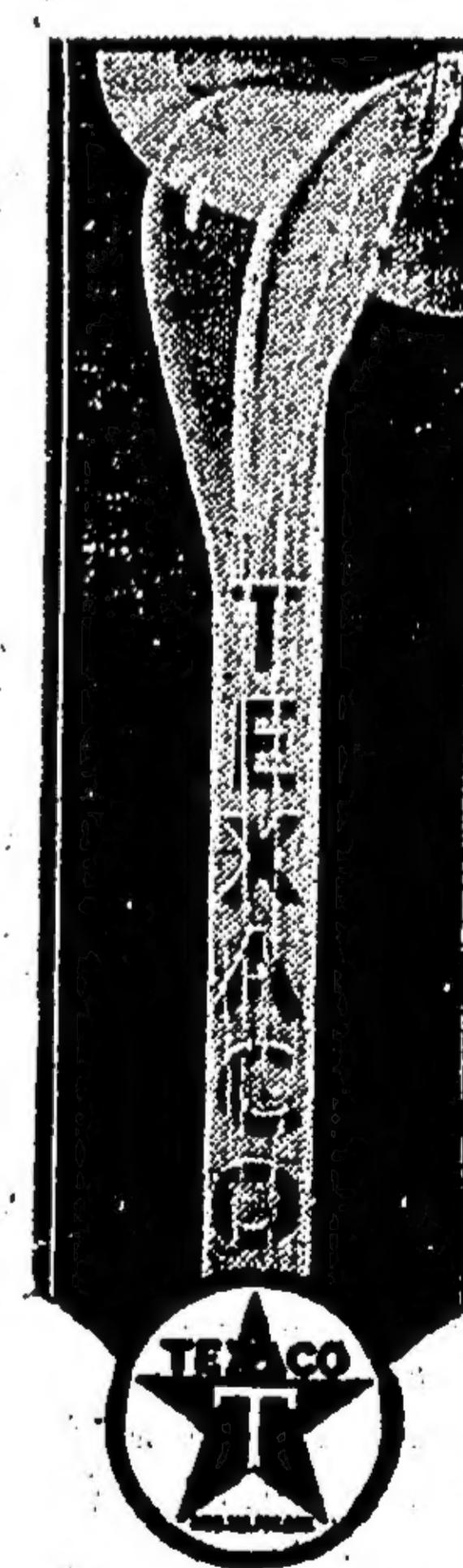
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SOUTH AMERICA (West Coast) via Japan, Honolulu, Los Angeles, Mexico and Panama.	
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NEW YORK, BOSTON via Panama.	
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† KUMA MARU	Monday, 25th May.
LIVERPOOL via Port Said, Stamboul (Constantinople), Genoa.	
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CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.	
† AKITA MARU	Wednesday, 29th April.
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PIO DE JANEIRO, SANTOS & BUENOS AIRES via Salon, Singapore, Colom- bo, Durban & Canetown.	Rio de Janeiro Maru	Sun., 24th May
BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang & Colombo.	Shunko Maru	Mon., 4th May
DURBAN, LOURENCO MARQUES, BEIRA, DAR- ES-SALAAM, ZANZIBAR & MOMBASA via Singa- pore & Colombo.	Mexico Maru	Tues., 5th May
MELBOURNE via Manila, Brisbane & Sydney.	Melbourne Maru	Wed., 6th May
CALCUTTA via Singapore Belawan Dell & Rangoon.	Seattle Maru	Sat., 2nd May
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA & VANCOUVER via Japan Ports.	Kinai Maru	Mon., 1st June
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JAPAN PORTS (Freight Ser- vices).	Menado Maru	Thurs., 30th Apr.
HAIPHONG via Holow & Pakhol (Fortnightly).	Hozan Maru	Sun., 3rd May
KEELUNG via Swatow & Amoy (8 p.m. every Sun- day).	Canton Maru	Sun., 10th May
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SAILS COME TO LONDON.

A Royal Yacht in the Thames.

With no part of the history of sail has the connection of London River been stronger than with yachts and yachting, writes Boyd Cable in the Evening News. The first yacht seen in British waters came to London from abroad, the first British yacht was built in a Thames yard, the first pleasure yachting was up and down the river from above London Bridge to the North Foreland, the first yacht race was sailed between Greenwich and Gravesend, and the Royal Thames Yacht Club was (under other names) the first instituted in Britain.

The tale goes back to the days before the Restoration in 1660, when Charles II was an exile on the Continent and spent some time in Holland and the Low Countries.

He saw there plenty of the new craft that the Dutch had been developing for long enough as suitable to their needs—shallow-draught, roomy boats partly fore-and-aft, partly square rigged, able to move freely in their narrow and twisting waterways. In the prosperous times that followed the new pursuit of the herring fishing industry in Holland, and the huge profits made by the Dutch East India Company, this handily rigged craft began to evolve as a comfortable floating home as well as quick and easy means of transport for business or pleasure.

Fit for a King.

The wealthy Dutch-India merchants, the herring curers, and the Admiralty officials paid liberally for the time, material, skill and labour which would produce the fastest, handiest, roomiest, and most comfortable boats; and by the time Charles saw the best of them they had reached a stage of comfort quite unknown to those who normally made what sea travel they could not avoid in cramped, dank, wet, odoriferous, miserably uncomfortable vessels. He would have found, too, that the wealthy merchants and officials would not only go sailing the inland seas and coastal waters for pleasure as well as business, but would take their wives with them.

Charles was at Breda when he received the recall to his throne, and he immediately had placed at his disposal for the passage to Rotterdam one of the finest and most luxurious of these boats owned by the Dutch Admiralty.

Beautiful Mary.

He was so impressed with her handiness and roomy comfort that he expressed his admiration in the warmest terms, and declared his intention of sending over an order from England for one to be built for him.

A city official, perhaps with a far-seeing eye on the possibility of further orders coming to his town, promptly offered to present one to Charles, and a few months later delivered the Mary to him in the Thames. She had been specially gilt, carved, decorated, and furnished, and was one of the best specimens turned out by the Dutch East India Company. She was the first "yacht" to sail in British waters.

The name "yacht" came from the German and Danish "jagen" and "jage," meaning to chase or hunt, and the old Dutch "jacht" which was so easily convertible to "yacht" or "jacht-schip" probably meant a vessel having the speed and ability to turn quickly in any direction necessary to the chase, rather than its use for chasing; although the further word "advys-jacht" might either mean "despatch boat" or "despatch-chaser." But yacht being a new name for a boat entirely new to Britain, name and boat were adopted together.

Centre of Attraction.

Interest in the novel craft was naturally increased when Charles promptly proceeded to inspect and then to make regular use of her. While she lay at Deptford and Greenwich she was a centre of attraction for all who were connected with ships and seafaring—which meant a good many, since the river was then the centre of ship-building and the sailing port of the East India Company's fleets. Company and Admiralty officials, and many of the Court who followed the lead of the King, went to see and admire the Mary, and Mr. Pepys only recorded his visit and favourable impressions.

But the Dutch were not to profit by orders for the new yachts, because within a year a Thames-built one was sailing the river, and proving herself a better craft than the Mary. The aristocracy began to order similar boats, and the Navy likewise built and added a number to the fleet, piercing both sides for guns and arming them stoutly.

The Duke of York quickly had one built for his own use, and the King and he started the fashion of racing, which was quickly taken up by the Queen, the Duke and Duchess of Richmond, Pepys, Evelyn, and others of the Court.

The King and his brother, York, racing their new boats in a Greenwich—Gravesend match for a hundred-guinea wager, which the King barely won, had "divers lords and noble persons" on board, and both Royal owners took the helm over part of the course. The two were no mere fair-weather sailors, and once, being caught in a blow off the North Foreland, "the King and Duke of York, were necessitated, in order to preserve the vessel, to hand the sails like common seamen."

The Mary was a 100-tonner of 52-foot length and 19-foot beam, and her rig was fore-and-aft mainsail and staysail, and jib set on a bowsprit run out to take it. Another and even more beamy yacht of Charles' he called Fubbs, either in compliment or sly jest of "Fubby," a notorious Court lady "favourite" of his who was distinctly "broad l' beam."

A. Van Tromp Relic.

The Duke of Cumberland founded the first yacht club in Britain as "The Cumberland Fleet," which, after various changes of name, is now the Royal Thames Yacht Club. An early print of some of the "Fleet" shows one vessel with a huge topsail set above another big square sail, close before the one mast and for and aft mains'l; and jib set. Others have the mainsail brailed in to the mast like a present-day Thames barge. All fly the long "coach-whip pennant" of the Navy, indicating a recognition of the semi-naval and Royal standing.

The pennant was a relic of the challenge of Van Tromp who carried a broom at the mast-head as a sign that he would sweep the

English from the seas, and the British retort of a "conch whip" to scourge the broom-wielder.

We may smile now at the apple checked bows, the high ornamental sterns, and clumsy rig of the Mary; but all the yachts and yacht-racing now the world over originated from that first "jacht" brought to London, and her spirited racing up and down the river, nearly 300 years ago.

WARSHIPS IN PORT.

The following British warships were in harbour to-day:

Bruce—West wall.
Hermes—In Dock.
Medway—No. 2 buoy.
Moors—North wall.
Odin—East wall.
Otus—East wall.
Ostria—No. 2 buoy.
Oswald—No. 2 buoy.
Pocion—No. 2 buoy.
Perseus—No. 2 buoy.
Scammon—North wall.
Somme—South wall.
Sandwich—South wall.
Sirdar—West wall.
Tamar—Basin.
Tarantula—North wall.
Thracian—West wall.
Vindictive—North arm.
Foreign Men-of-War.
Argus—French gunboat.
Adamastor—Portuguese cruiser.
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MONDAY, MAY 4.	President Harrison
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, April 10)	President Cleveland

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KALYAN	9,114	9th May	Mars, L'don, Hull, R'dam & A'werp.
COMORIN	15,132	23rd May	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
BURDWAN	—	30th May	Marseilles, London, Hull, Hamburg, Rotterdam & Antwerp.
ALIPORE	5,273	2nd June	Straits, Colombo & Bombay.
KASHMIR	8,985	6th June	Mars, L'don, Hull, R'dam & A'werp.
RANPUR	16,601	20th June	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
KRISHGAR	9,005	4th July	M'scilles, L'don, R'dam & A'werp.
KALPALINDI	16,619	7th July	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
PERIM	7,618	25th July	M'scilles & London.
KHYBER	9,114	1st Aug.	M'scilles, L'don, R'dam & A'werp.
SOMALI	—	8th Aug.	M'scilles, London, Hull, Hamburg, Rotterdam & Antwerp.
RAJPUTANA	16,658	15th Aug.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
FADUA	5,999	22nd Aug.	M'scilles, London, Hull, Hamburg, Rotterdam & Antwerp.
KARMALA	9,128	29th Aug.	M'scilles & London.
CATHAY	15,121	12th Sept.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
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		1931.	
TIWA	10,006	8th May	Amoy, Sh'hai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
KASHMIR	8,985	8th May	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
TANDA	6,956	8th May	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Y'hama.
RANPURA	16,601	22nd May	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
SANTHIA	7,754	25th May	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
TALMA	10,000	4th June	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
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PERIM	7,648	10th June	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
TAKADA	6,949	18th June	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
RAWALPINDI	16,619	19th June	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
SOMALI	7,745	2nd July	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
KHYBER	9,114	6th July	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
NELLORE	6,653	6th July	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Y'hama.
TIWA	10,006	16th July	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
RAJPUTANA	16,598	17th July	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
SANTHIA	7,754	30th July	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
KARMALA	9,128	31st July	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
NANXIN	7,058	1st Aug.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.

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This time the honour comes the way of Britain, and the twin screw passenger liner Empress of Britain, built for the Canadian Pacific Steamships, Ltd., by the Fairfield Shipbuilding and Engineering Co., Ltd., of Govan, has been acclaimed "The Ship of the Year" for 1930. Launched in August last this mammoth vessel has gross tonnage of 26,032 tons. The overall length is 666 feet by 87 feet 9 inches wide at promenade deck. A service speed of 21 knots was the aim of the designers, with a 23-knot trial speed and this, we believe, has surpassed all expectations.

A large number of electric fittings were manufactured by The General Electric Co., Ltd., London, in conjunction with Messrs. Staines and Jones, the architects, and manufactured at the Magnet Works, Birmingham. Apart from other fittings Gecory floodlights play an important part in the lighting of this ship. In all there are about sixty of these and they are used for various purposes, such as flooding the port starboard and fore windows, etc., very effectively.

The control of the fittings and bells and all other electrical accessories in the cabins is effected from one combination unit embodying all switches and pushes under one common plate. The cabin call bell system is of the luminous lamp pattern, the system consists of units with red or green lights outside each cabin door, and further units in the alleyways with sectional indicators for the stewards. These lights, once they are put into operation by the pressing of appropriate buttons within the cabin, continue to function until they are cancelled by means of the re-setting device on the outside of each cabin door.

A few notes relative to the comprehensive fire alarm system installed throughout the ship are of interest. This system is of G.E.C. design throughout, and two types are employed. One is manual operated by the breaking of a glass, and the operation of a push, the other installed in the baggage rooms being automatic and operated by means of thermostatic controls. Each system indicates on a luminous indicator to the officer of the watch, and in the case of the manual type, telephonic communication can be established from the push originating the alarm to the bridge by means of telephone hand combination outlets which are kept in the fire alarm indicator for this purpose. These can be plugged into a jack incorporated in each push.

It will thus be gathered that the lighting and allied equipment throughout the ship has been designed on very elaborate and efficient lines, and since over 14,000 Oramar lamps are employed in the scheme it is easy of realisation that "The Ship of the Year" of 1930 is lighted throughout in a very effective manner.

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ARRIVALS OF SHIPS.

Sunday, April 26.
Achilles, British str., 7,184 tons, Capt. W. Cosker, from Singapore, Holt's Wharf.—B. & S.

Dorry, German str., 1,083 tons, Capt. J. Bruhn, from Swatow, buoy No. B19.—Chau Yue Teng.

Tchekam, Chinese str., 806 tons, Capt. Lal Yee, from Pakhoi, buoy No. C4.—Woo On & Co.

Monday, April 27.
Bueland, Norwegian str., 2,299 tons, Captain Brekke, from Dairen, buoy No. B25.—Wallen & Co.

Chenan, British str., 1,365 tons, Capt. J. Newton, from Canton, Taikoo Dock.—B. & S.

Duisburg, German str., 4,375 tons, Capt. Eckhorn, from Manila, buoy No. A2.—Jeben & Co.

Hermod, Norwegian str., 840 tons, Capt. C. Andersen, from Bangkok, buoy No. B17.—Thoresen & Co.

Mausang, British str., 2,063 tons, Captain G. F. Matthews, from Sandakan, buoy No. B22.—J. M. & Co.

President Grant, American str., 14,200 tons, Capt. W. A. Ries, from Manila, Kowloon Wharf.

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Shun Chih, Chinese str., 1,251 tons, Capt. T. Thorbjorussen, from Saigon, buoy No. C6.—Chang Tong Ha.

Sphinx, French str., 6,724 tons, Capt. Saccone, from Saigon, buoy No. A1.—M. M.

Suiyang, British str., 1,594 tons, Capt. J. Byrne, from Canton, buoy No. B15.—B. & S.

Yuan Lee, Chinese str., 1,661 tons, Capt. A. Kraukle, from Swatow, buoy No. B8.—Yuen Seng Fat.

The vessel eventually attained on official trial speed of 27.7 knots as against the contract 27 knots.

Their second destroyer Daring was ordered in 1912, and was fast nearing completion at the outbreak of the war. Then before the vessel was actually commissioned for service, she was renamed Lance, and subsequently had the distinction of firing the first naval shot in the war, sinking the Mine Layer Konigen Luise in the mouth of the Thames. This early success seems to prove that a change of name does not make an unlucky ship.

The new Daring can claim an excellent pedigree, and in Thornycroft's hands can safely be entrusted to carry on the best traditions of her namesakes.

HONG KONG TIDES.

The time used is Standard, or mean time of the meridian of 120° E. 00h: 00m: is midnight, 12h. is noon. The heights are referred to the datum of the largest scale Admiralty chart of the place and should be added to the depths given on the chart unless preceded by an asterisk (*), when they should be subtracted from the depths.

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CHILDREN'S FILM DAY

The enormous interest evinced
by juveniles in the screening of
"Tom Sawyer," Mark Twain's
masterly presentation of childish
humour in all its varied phases,
reminds us of something we in-
tended to do long ago—make a
special plea to the managements
of cinemas to set one day apart
once a week, once a fortnight, or
even once a month specially for
children. On numerous occasions
have short films been shown—in
support of the features—admirably
adapted for the younger
generation; but nothing has been
known of these until their actual
screening. Then, it was too
late to acquaint the kiddies
through the medium of this news-
paper, or, more likely still, the
feature Talkie was not one exactly
suitable for tiny folk to "see
and hear."

It may be difficult to arrange
an all-children's programme
often under present circumstances—certainly difficult for
one cinema alone—but that is
no good reason why, for the sake
of the children, the combined
managements should not co-operate
in this direction. In the
future, to-day the children's
appetite for children's pictures is
literally starved. It is rare that
a Talkie such as "Tom Sawyer"
is screened locally. But there is
our Gang, that bunch of
laughter makers whom all the
children simply love. There is
every day the Canteen, and there are
other juvenile features, small in
themselves if it is true that should
always be more or less at the
command of the cinema manage-

ment.

News in Brief

The lowest open air temperature
yesterday was 71 degrees. The
humidity was 88 at 10 A.M. and 90
at 4 P.M.

At a meeting of the Court of the
University yesterday, H.E. the
Governor presided the Vice-Chancellor,
Sir William Hornsby, with
the former Agent conferring on
him the "title and dignity of a
Knight Bachelor."

A Chinese married woman was
removed to the Kwong Wah Hos-
pital yesterday from 47 Reclama-
tion Street suffering from the
effects of opium poisoning. It is
alleged that she took the drug in an
attempt to end her life.

At the Kowloon Police Court this
morning, Chan Shing, a mess boy,
employed in the "B" Company Mess,
of the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders
at Shamshui Po Barracks, was
convicted on a charge of stealing
five pounds of butter from the
Mess. He was ordered to receive
twelve strokes.

The Mohammedan festival of
Id-uz-Zuha will be celebrated to-
morrow. Divine service will be held in
the Hong Kong Mosque at 9 a.m.
sharp. Heads of Government De-
partments and private firms are re-
quested to grant a holiday to their
Mohammedan employees.

Mr. W. R. Hawes, ground instruc-
tor at the Flying Club, was censured
for driving without a licence by
Mr. E. W. Hamilton, at the inquiry
which was held in Kowloon yester-
day, on the body of Lo Kong, a Chi-
nese, aged 71, who was killed by
being knocked down by a car driven
by Mr. Hawes on the Saikung Road,
on April 25.

Yu Sam, of 9 Pottinger Street,
has reported to the Police that on
April 20 he arranged with a friend,
who claimed to be a folk of the Yuet
Tung Boarding House, 161
Connaught Road Central, to buy
three steamship tickets for Singa-
pore. Yu is stated to have handed
over \$105, and his "friend" has
since absconded.

Three Chinese were charged at
the Kowloon Police Court this
morning with having unlawful
possession of a quantity of pine tree
branches. One of the accused had
a previous conviction for trespass-
ing on Crown land, and was fined
\$25 or one month's imprisonment,
while the other two were fined \$10
or fourteen days. A fine of \$5, or
in default a week's imprisonment,
was imposed on Wong Yau for a
similar offence.

BRITAIN'S BUDGET.

(Continued from page 1.)

He foreshadowed considerable
debt conversion operations, and
said provision would be made to
cover a considerable part of last
year's deficit of £23,276,000 from
ordinary sources.

He estimated that the 1931-32 re-
venue on the existing basis of
taxation would be £766,000,000,
and the expenditure £803,000,000.

There would be no revenue tariff
and the deficit would be met by
non-recurrent revenue and tempo-
rary expedients, in view of trade
recovery prospects. The income
tax would not be increased.

However, 75 per cent. would be
payable on January 1 and 25 per
cent. on July 1, instead of two equal
instalments as at present. This
would bring an extra quarter's
revenue, namely £10,000,000, into
the 1931-2 revenue.

The petrol tax would immediately
be increased from fourpence to six-
pence a gallon; and this would pro-
duce £75,000,000 this year.

A sum of £20,000,000 would be
appropriated out of £33,000,000 in
the dollar exchange account (which
was formerly created in New York
to balance sharp fluctuations in ex-
change, but is no longer necessary).

The special tax on motor-cycles
not exceeding 150 centimetres would
be reduced from 30 shillings to 15
shillings.

The balance sheet for the year
would therefore be:

Revenue, £803,500,000.

Expenditure, £803,866,000.

Mr. Snowden appealed for co-
operation and the elimination of
unnecessary expenditure, in order
to avoid additional heavy taxation.

He proceeded to announce the
initiation of a scheme of taxation
of land values, which when it be-
came operative—not, however, this
year—would be at the rate of a
penny per pound sterling on capital
land value.

The Finance Bill
would provide that valuation be
concluded within two years.

The Chancellor spoke for sixty-
nine minutes. Reuter.

MAN WITH AN AXE.

WOULD-BE ASSASSIN SENT TO JAIL.

EGYPTIAN PLOT.

Cairo, Yesterday.

The so-called "man with an
axe," Mohamed Taher, arrested
in connection with a plot against
Sidiq Pasha has been sentenced
to seven years' imprisonment.

Reuter.

ROYAL BEREAVEMENT.

Paris, Yesterday.

Prince Chandabul, former
Minister of Finance, and
brother of the King of Siam, has
died here. Reuter.

EXTRALITY.

FURTHER QUESTIONS IN THE COMMONS.

NOTHING FRESH.

London, Yesterday.

Replies to questions in the
House of Commons, Mr. Arthur
Henderson said that the extrality
negotiations were still proceeding,
as he informed the House last
week.

He was not prepared at present
to make any further statement on
the instructions sent to Sir Miles
Lampson. His Majesty's Govern-
ment had fully considered the
report of the Commission on
extrality.

He added that negotiations were
also being carried on by repre-
sentatives of the United States,
Japan and France. He was not in
a position to give details.

Mr. Godfrey Locker Lampson
asked whether the definite decision
about Shanghai should be post-
poned until Judge Fetham's re-
port had been carefully consider-
ed, and Mr. Henderson replied that
he had seen the report, which
would be kept in mind.

Mr. Wardlaw Milne urged that
no decision should be reached until
Britain was in agreement with the
other interested Governments. Mr.
Henderson declined definitely to
commit himself, while he said he
was prepared to consider the views
of the other Governments. Reuter.

NEW EMDEN.

GREAT RECEPTION IN SHANGHAI.

"PASS: ALL'S WELL."

Shanghai, Yesterday.

A function of the greatest
significance to Shanghai's inter-
national community took place to-
day, when the Zero Club, com-
prising British ex-Service men who
volunteered for the Great War
from Shanghai, entertained the
officers of the German cruiser Emden,
now visiting the port.

The President of the Zero Club
referred to the courageous and
chivalrous way in which the original
Emden had done her duty, and
now that bitterness and mis-
understanding had passed, he
could say to the Emden "Pass
friends; all's well."

Captain Withcroft, who was an
officer in the original Emden
under Captain Muller, and the
German Consul-General, replied,
and said they regarded the gathering
as a sign of the growing
friendship and mutual apprecia-
tion of former adversaries. Reuter.

WEAR HOMESPUN!

APPEAL BY EGYPTIAN PAPERS.

COTTON DIRECTORS' MOVE.

Cairo, Yesterday.

The "wear homespun" move-
ment is invading Egypt, and ap-
pears as an appeal, prominently
featured in the vernacular papers,
signed by the directors of the
Egyptian Spinning and Weaving
Company, announcing an increase
of capital by £200,000, and stat-
ing that the object is to work with
Egyptian cotton and obviate the
necessity for importing textiles. Reuter.

JACK DIAMOND.

ATTACK BY DESPERATE GUNMAN.

"FILLED WITH BUCKSHOT."

New York, Yesterday.

Jack Diamond has been admit-
ted to hospital suffering from a
broken arm and ribs. The inju-
ries were inflicted in the Arrapoga
Inn, near Cairo, New York,
early in the morning by a desper-
ate gunman, who had succeeded in
killing Diamond's bodyguard and
filled the notorious gangster with
bullets. Reuter's American Ser-
vice.

LOAN NECESSARY.

OPINION OF AUSTRALIAN TREASURER.

Adelaide, Yesterday.

Concluding that a loan is the
only immediate means of raising
money to relieve urgent neces-
sities, Mr. Theodore announces
that the Loan Council has definitely
decided to raise a £12,000,000
internal loan, half of which will
be used to assist wheat growers,
and the rest to alleviate unemploy-
ment in all the States. Reuter.

BURGLARS CARRY OFF A SAFE.

A £10 Haul—and Lots of Billiard Balls.

An iron safe, containing £10 in
cash, was carried away by burglars
who visited the Temperance
Billiards Hall, Romford Road,
Stratford, E., during the night.

Fifteen sets of billiard balls
were also taken.

Four men are believed to have
taken part in the burglary. They
climbed over a wall at the back of
the hall and forced a window.

DRAMATIST'S SUICIDE.

Sequel to the Loss of a Friend.

KILLED BY A TRAIN.

A young dramatist's grief for a friend who was killed in a motoring accident led to his suicide. It was suggested at an inquest at St. Pancras.

The dramatist, Mr. John Buchanan McCready, aged 24, of the Washington Hotel, Curzon Street, W., jumped from the platform of the L.M.S. "electric" station at Euston and was killed by a train.

About a week before his death his play, *The Force of Circumstance*, was produced at the Grafton Theatre in Tottenham Court Road.

Mr. McCready was the son of the late Mr. Walter McCready, an Anglo-American well known in polo, racing and hunting circles on both sides of the Atlantic.

"My Life is Finished."

Mr. Richard Lowdon McCready, of the 12th Lancers, stationed at Tidworth, said the dramatist, who was his brother, had been upset by the death of one of his friends who was involved in a motoring accident at Barnet.

This friend was taken to Barnet Hospital and Mr. McCready stayed at his bedside for a whole night.

"My brother said to me: 'My life is now finished. I shall have to start life again. There is so much to do, and I don't know how I shall carry on.'

"He was under great emotion and I tried to comfort him," said Mr. Richard McCready.

As far as he knew, his brother had no money troubles or love affairs.

"Working Very Hard."

Mr. Goodman Roberts (for the relatives). He had been working very hard in connection with a play he produced?—Yes, it was his first play. He also had a great deal of



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work in connection with the death of his friend.

George Edward Hopkins, of Stonebridge Park, the driver of the train, said he saw the man standing on the edge of the platform. He dived underneath the train and it was impossible to pull up.

The coroner said there was no doubt that Mr. McCready threw himself under the train. He had written a letter to a friend which left no doubt of its being a deliberate act.

A verdict of suicide while of unsound mind was recorded.

CAR BANDITS' RAID.

POLICE SEARCH LONDON HOSPITALS.

A gang of men in a car raided a motor car showroom in Station Parade, Balsall. They had just smashed a window of the showroom when a policeman arrived.

The men dashed back to the car, which started away immediately.

But one of the men missed his footing as he ran and clutched the side of the car as it drove off.

He was dragged for about 200 yards along the ground, holding on to the side of the car, before his companions could haul him in.

The car was a racing model painted dark blue with red lines.

It disappeared in the direction of Wimbledon.

Scotland Yard believed that the man must have been injured, and inquiries were made at all hospitals in the South-West of London to see if such a man applied for treatment.

A second attempted raid in South London was prevented by the timely arrival of a police constable.

Three men were seen to alight from a dark saloon car with red wings, outside a furrier's shop in High Road, Streatham.

The policeman was crossing the road to investigate when the men saw him.

They ran back to the car, which drove off in the direction of Brixton. The shop door bore Jimmy marks.

A SIGN OF THE TIMES.

A sign of the increasing co-operation between the Boy Scout Movement and the Churches comes from Dover. The Rev. G. J. Chadwick, Rector of St. James' Church, has set aside a part of the Church as a Scout and Guide "Corner". A large number of Scouts and Guides attended the dedication service.

ARABS AND INDIANS VISIT LONDON.

Men From the East to Give Evidence.

SETTLERS AND TRIBESMEN.

This month London will see, in the House of Lords, as polyglot and cosmopolitan a collection of witnesses as has ever assembled for one cause.

The case concerns the future of East Africa, and a Joint Committee, under the chairmanship of Lord Stanley of Alderley, is considering it.

The committee has already heard the evidence of many witnesses in Britain; during the last week of April and the first two weeks of May it will hear evidence from local witnesses.

They will include, besides seven white settlers, nine native East Africans, two Arabs, and four Indians.

The nine natives consist of three from each of the three great colonies, whose closer union is the subject of the Committee's deliberations, Kenya, Tanganyika, and Uganda.

Tribal Conditions.

The groups of three have been chosen by the Government authorities to represent the various tribes and interests as fairly as possible by far the largest part of the East African native population still lives under tribal conditions.

The two Arabs come from Kenya, where there is a considerable Arab population. The Indians come from all three districts.

Each of the three groups of natives will come to Britain in charge of a high British official, who will look after them in London.

Several of the natives speak English, and all of them take keen interest in cotton and in agriculture.

It has not yet been decided where they will stay in London, but it is hoped to give them "a good time" there.

No body in the country knows the exact method by which the nine men were chosen. The Arabs and Indians and, of course, the representative white settlers, have been selected by their own people. This process was not possible in the case of the natives, coming as they do from so many different tribes.

The Committee is already meeting twice a week at the House of Lords.

PLANE THAT FLIES ITSELF.

Britain's Non-Stop Flight Bid.

During the next few months attempts will be made both by France and Great Britain to increase the existing world air record for distance in straight line.

The record of 4,800 miles non-stop is at present held by France.

No serial distinction is more coveted or considered of greater importance from an international point of view than this supreme test of engine performance, aircraft design, and personal endurance on the part of pilots.

The French aviators Bossoutrot and Rossi performed a wonderful flight in Algeria by covering a distance of 5,470 miles in a closed circuit, remaining in the air for three days and nights. While this is a world's distance record, it does not fulfil the conditions of the official record, which require the distance to be covered in a straight line over all obstacles, including mountain ranges and in all weathers.

The French aviator's achievement is, therefore, only a preliminary canter to an attempt on the official record which are planning to make from New York to Siberia across the Atlantic in June next.

Great Britain's bid will be made in a machine which is now being built by the Fairey Aviation Company, at Hayes, Middlesex, to the order of the Air Ministry.

It will be flown by Air Force pilots, specially picked for their qualities of skill, and endurance.

The last non-stop attempt by the Royal Air Force, it will be recalled, resulted in the death of Flight-Lieutenant Jenkins and Squadron-Leader Jones-Williams in the hills near Tunis. They had previously made a successful non-stop flight from Britain to Karachi.

A long-distance flight of this kind is a most nerve-racking experience for the pilots concerned.

While they are theoretically supposed to relieve one another at the controls, one must, in practice, be engaged in navigational duties, while the other flies the machine. Thus the result is unremitting weariness throughout the entire period of the flight.

The biplane under construction is, specially designed to reduce the strain on the pilot. It will fly by itself, and, aided by increased instruments, will be able to maintain its course and stable attitude irrespective of the pilot.

The aeroplane, by virtue of its enormous fuel tanks, will have a range of about 7,000 miles, and will render possible the "miracle" of a non-stop flight from Britain to the Cape.

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The course must be the shortest measurable distance on the surface of the globe between the point of ascending and the point of descending.

As there are no two such points more than 11,000 miles apart, it will be interesting to see which country will be the first to achieve the unbeatable maximum mileage.

THEFT OF WALLET.

VICTIM, PASSING THROUGH FROM AMERICA.

CASE REMANDED.

Ng Chuk-nam, a licensed hawker, was brought before Mr. E. H. Williams in the second Police Court this morning charged with the larceny of a wallet, the property of Yung Hang Fong. The wallet contained a draft on the Bank of Canton for \$2,000, a draft on the National City Bank of New York for \$7,000, a Canadian paper dollar, a U.S. paper dollar, two American \$10 gold pieces, and 18 subsidiary coins of various denominations.

Mr. F. C. E. Rendall appeared for the defendant.

Passing Through. Inspector John Murphy, for the prosecution, said that the complainant was likely to sail for Honolulu in a few days. He was only passing through Hong Kong from America.

Asked for the facts, Inspector Murphy said that at 5 o'clock yesterday evening, the complainant, who had recently come from Canada and America, was walking along Connaught Road Central, and on reaching the Fire Brigade building near the Yaumati Ferry Wharf he felt a tug. He immediately turned round and caught hold of defendant who dropped the wallet to the ground. A crowd collected and later a district watchman took the culprit into custody. Inspector Murphy added that he had been unable up to the present time to procure a witness of the actual theft. He added that the complainant had money in every one of his pockets.

His Worship fixed the hearing of the case for to-morrow afternoon.

STABILISATION WARNING.

THE CURRENCY MISSION

in favour of

STABILISATION

will be closed

for

SIGNATURE

at

3.00 p.m. on Wednesday, the 29th Inst.

ATTACKS ON GIRLS.

London's Women Police To Be Doubled.

An advanced stage has been reached in the plans for increasing the number of policewomen in the London Metropolitan area, and an additional 50 women are to be engaged.

The decision means that the force is to be doubled.

The Blackheath murder and other attacks on girls in lonely districts and on isolated London commons, have led the Home Secretary to decide that the patrols must be strengthened as soon as possible.

It is probable that later in the year the total number will be raised from 100 to 125.

Miss Peto, who has completed a year of service in charge of the Women Police at Scotland Yard, has attended many conferences on the matter.

One problem associated with this larger force is the housing of its members and the provision of suitable training quarters for recruits.

It is felt that the most useful type of work for a policewoman is patrolling those places where girls may be accosted.

The application was dismissed, Lord Justice Scuton remarking: "I think this is rather an example of the sort of thing which is making litigation expensive."

A strong demand is being made for more policewomen in the provinces also, and the matter is to be raised at a meeting in the House of Commons.

According to official figures, in England, Wales and Scotland there are 64,692 policemen and only 167 policewomen.

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SHADOWS BEFORE

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN CHINA MAIL.

Social Functions.

To-day—Tea Dance at Hong Kong Hotel; Dinner Dances at Hong Kong and Peninsula Hotels and Hotel Cecil.

To-morrow—Reception at Japanese Consul's residence, 4.30 p.m.

Entertainments.

To-day—King's Theatre; "Ingagi."

To-day—Queen's Theatre; "Billy the Kid."

To-day—Central Theatre; "The Benson Murder Case."

To-day—Domestic Theatre; "Street of Chance."

To-day—World Theatre; "Story of Movoland," Part II, (Chinese picture).

Lammer's Auctions.

To-morrow—At 5A, Luna Buildings, household furniture, 10.30 a.m.

Saturday—at 74A Nathan Road, Kowloon, household furniture, 10.30 a.m.

Home Malls.

To-day—Inward from Europe via Siberia (Felix Roussel).

To-morrow—Outward for Europe via Siberia (Chichibu Maru), 8.30 a.m.; for Europe via Marseilles (Perseus), 2.30 p.m.

Sports.

See Sports Diary on Page 9.

Miscellaneous.

To-day—Annual Inspection of Police Reserve, 5.30 p.m.

To-day—Whist Drive, St. Philip's Club, 9 p.m.

Friday—Whist Drive at H.K.S. Brigade, R.A., Sergeants' Mess, Gun Club Hill, 8.45 p.m.

MR. BOTTOMLEY.

LIBEL ACTION AGAINST MESSRS. WOOLWORTH.

Mr. Horatio Bottomley was the plaintiff in a libel action against Messrs. F. W. Woolworth and Company, Limited, in mail week.

Mr. Hilbery, K.C., for Messrs. Woolworth, made the application to strike out a paragraph of the statement of claim on the ground of non-compliance with an order of the Court.

It was complained, he said, that in 1927 Messrs. Woolworth and Company sold an American magazine called Detective Story Magazine, in which there was an article headed: "Swindlers and Scoundrels: Horatio Bottomley, Editor and Embezzler."

Selected passages were set out which Mr. Bottomley said were derogatory to him, and he complained that there was an innuendo that he blackmailed people.

Mr. Hilbery said the plaintiff, in his submission, had trifled with the order of the Court concerning particulars. Counsel explained that the firm's system involved huge buying and they did not necessarily keep track of every article. The magazines were out-of-date American journals and were bought in bulk. "I might put it this way," he said. "They buy two tons of American journalism. This enables them to send so many hundredweights to each of their shops."

Mr. Hilbery said he wanted particulars of the various shops in which plaintiff said that copies of the magazine were "sold," adding: "Then I will call people from those shops who will say that they had not the slightest idea what was inside the covers."

The application was dismissed, Lord Justice Scuton remarking: "I think this is rather an example of the sort of thing which is making litigation expensive."

Bogus Bishop.</p

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MYSTERY!

Sport Columns
R.A.O.B. CLUB AT
BILLIARDS.Junior N.C.O.'s Club
Defeated.

DARTS CONTEST.

The members of the R.A.O.B. Club were "at home" to the Junior N.C.O.'s Club, Lyemun, yesterday evening and again a very enjoyable evening was spent.

The usual billiards and darts matches were played with the following results:

BILLIARDS.

R.A.O.B. Club.	
Hollywood	150
Willis	150
Turner	150
Elliott	150
Holt	150
Cullen	73
	823

Junior N.C.O.'s Club.	
Seal	88
Radford	109
Luckham	42
Luff	114
Perry	86
Wilson	21
	460

The last mentioned game of billiards was taken on time, owing to the late start.

The honour of the highest break fell to Turner, of the R.A.O.B.

Darts.

Turner and Wattley (R.A.O.B.) lost to Radford and Luff.

Bishop and Matthews (R.A.O.B.) beat Phillips and Luckham.

Cook and Holliswood (R.A.O.B.) beat Gately and Beal.

Elliott and Tindel (R.A.O.B.) beat Perry and Seal.

Reed and Holt (R.A.O.B.) lost to Luckham and Parmelia.

The Junior N.C.O.'s Club were rather unlucky to lose by a big margin of points. It seemed as if they were suffering from "stage fright" or were they shy of the "Buffaloes"?

At the conclusion of the billiards match the Chairman of the R.A.O.B. Club (Mr. F. Cullen) welcomed the members of the Junior N.C.O.'s Club, Lyemun, and hoped that at some future date they would come along again to the R.A.O.B. Club and endeavour to reverse the results of the evening.

Mr. Luff, on behalf of the visitors, thanked the R.A.O.B. members assembled for the kind invitation that had been given them and also for the enjoyable evening that had been spent in the R.A.O.B. Club.

Members of the R.A.O.B. Club will proceed to Stonecutter's on Sunday next at the invitation of the N.C.O.'s Club, Stonecutter's, to participate in various outdoor and indoor games.

The R.A.O.B. Club is arranging "at homes" to various Clubs and Units on Mondays, and all interested are cordially invited.

H. M. MARTINEAU'S
TOURING XI.

First Two Matches on
Egyptian Soil.

MOORE AND KEMP-WELCH.

Alexandria, March 31.

A century by this year's Oxford captain, D. N. Moore, and some good scores by other University players, such as W. O. B. Lindsay (76) and G. D. Kemp-Welch, the Cambridge captain of 1930, contributed to the high total made by H. M. Martineau's team in their first match in Egypt, which began to-day against the Alexandria Sporting Club. Moore's 115 included 18 fours, and C. H. Knott had six sixes and nine fours in his 93. Martineau's eleven declared at 454 for five wickets, and Alexandria scored 102 for one wicket before stumps were drawn.

Cairo, April 3.

Last year's Cambridge captain, G. D. Kemp-Welch, followed the example of his counterpart at Oxford, D. N. Moore, in scoring a century to-day for H. M. Martineau's team, who are playing a number of matches in Egypt. Moore scored his century in the first match at Alexandria, in which Martineau's eleven beat Alexandria Sporting Club by an innings and thirty-three runs. To-day, in the second match of the tour against the United Services, Kemp-Welch hit an 103 and was only supported by G. H. Knott, who had made 83 in the previous match and who to-day scored 69. Martineau's team were all out for 308, and they obtained four United Services wickets for 111 runs.

ARMY RUGBY CUP
RECORD.Duke of Wellington's
Regt. the Champions.

LINE NOT CROSSED.

The 1st Duke of Wellington's Regiment set up a record for the Army Rugby Cup competition at Aldershot when they defeated the Training Battalion of the Royal Engineers from Chatham in the most one-sided final since the war.

They won by a placed goal, a dropped goal, and four tries to nothing, and secured the trophy without having their line crossed in any of the five cup matches.

The Dukes up to the final had scored 130 points without reply in the four qualifying games, but no one had anticipated such an easy win for them in the final. They outpaced their opponents and outplayed them at every point.

The Sappers were unlucky to find the Dukes at the top of their form. In their previous games the Dukes had been unimpressive behind the scrums, but this time their backs played an inspired game.

Corporal Townend, who played forward in an international trial, always occupies the stand-off half position in the regimental team, and played a bigger part in his team's victory than any other individual player. His cross-kicking was often dangerous, and he found touch well, but he was less consistent with his place kicking.

Townend dropped a good goal in the second half, and converted a try before retiring in the last ten minutes with a badly cut lip. By that time, however, it was only a question of how many points the Dukes could score.

ENGLISH LACROSSE
VICTORY.Irish Ladies Badly
Defeated.London, March 30.
England overwhelmed Ireland in the women's international lacrosse match at Liverpool on Saturday, winning by seventeen goals to five after leading 8-1 at half-time.FINE SPRINT BY
SCHOOLBOY.Bedford Boy Breaks
100 Yards Record.London, March 30.
R. Holland, a Bedford schoolboy, on Saturday beat the British public schools' record at the school sports by running one hundred yards in ten seconds. The previous record was 10.2/5 secs.

"BILLY" MITCHELL.

PASSING OF OLD-TIME
BILLIARD STAR.

MANY BREAKS OVER 1,000.

Followers of billiards will regret to learn of the death of Billy Mitchell, the veteran player, who passed away shortly after noon on March 21 at the Flivale Hospital, Sheffield. In recent years Mitchell had not had the best of health, and he was prevailed upon to enter the hospital some time ago.

Born at Birchtree, near Chesterfield, on October 18, 1854, Mitchell had an adventurous career, and became quite a character in the billiards world. He started his career as an errand boy in 1868, and 21 years later he won what was termed the World's Championship Tournament, in which his chief opponent was W. J. Peall, who was one of Mitchell's best friends during his recent bad spell.

In these days of four-figure breaks, it is interesting to know that Mitchell made over 1,000 four-figure breaks, and he claimed the distinction of being the first player to make a thousand break, a performance he accomplished nearly 50 years ago. His break of 1,056 included 350 consecutive spot strokes. Mitchell was recognised as a master of the spot stroke, but he was one of those professionals who helped to bar this particular shot.

Mitchell took part in a number of big money matches, and was recognised as one of the best money players in the country. He was an exceptionally fast scorer, and had taken more points with his spot stroke play he would have been credited with a bigger break than 1,020—including 530 consecutive spots—which was his record.

"TEDDY" FINCHER IN
THE FINAL.

LO ELIMINATED.

Can Rumjahn Stop His
Run of Successes?

FORMIDABLE OPPONENT.

[By "Base Line."]

A much improved service and a devastating cross-court drive have carried E. C. Fincher into the final of the Open Singles tennis championship this year. Yesterday in the semi-final, as in the sixth round, he won in straight sets. M. W. Lo, past champion, was hopelessly outclassed and could not stand up against the well mixed shots of "Teddy" Fincher.

Lo Worried.

After having witnessed the complete eclipse of Honda earlier in the tournament, Lo must have experienced some doubts as to his abilities against the much improved Kowloon player, but he managed to conceal these signs during the first set. With the score at 4-all the match looked as if it would not be such an easy victory for "Teddy" as was expected. Fincher, however, found little difficulty in taking the set at 6-4. This was the beginning of the end, the inferiority complex, which Lo had been able to overcome in the first set, proved too much for him in the remaining two sets, and repeated blunders gave his opponent the match at 6-4, 6-2, 6-2.

Loser's Weakness.

It must have indeed been a disappointment to Lo's supporters to see him crack up so badly, but it can hardly be said that he was below form—he was up against a combination of strokes which left him hopelessly outpositioned and at the same time proved so discouraging to his play. He was unable to cover Fincher's beautifully judged cross-court drives, and several times, when placing himself in an endeavour to avoid the inevitable, he found that Fincher had substituted a cunningly disguised drop shot, which had him instantly at a disadvantage. When he was in a challenging position he failed at the net in a most surprising manner and his strokes, though executed in orthodox style, lacked conviction.

Weak Tendency.

Fincher made many bad mistakes during the match and a tendency to take things easily when in a good position left one wondering whether he is good enough to beat C. A. L. Rumjahn. A disconcerting streak of sunlight across one side of the court caused him some trouble and did not allow him to make full use of his newly acquired drive, but, nevertheless, he was not by any means up to the form which he displayed when opposed to Honda. His first service, however, proved very reliable and constantly worried Lo. His base line duels were featured by an accurate length when keeping the ball low, but once he tried to gain any height in his return he invariably gave Lo a valuable point. His shortening of length was extremely good to watch, but was perhaps a little over-done, as surprise is the chief asset of this stroke.

DUTCH DAVIS CUP
TROUBLES.Team of Reserves As
Representatives.Amsterdam, Yesterday.
Owing to Hans Timmer, the Dutch lawn tennis champion, convalescing from pleurisy and A. Diemerkool being unavailable, the Dutch Davis Cup team will be composed of reserves—J. Vandeheide, O. Koopman, M. Wetselaar, and T. Vaneek.—Reuter.

GOLF.

HIGH HANDICAP COMPETITION
AT KOWLOON.

The following is the result of the High Handicap competition played over the Kowloon course on Sunday. The match was over 26 holes, medal play, the winner being W. Hyds 84, 95, 170 less 30 = 140.

A. C. Sinton 88, 93 = 177 less 32 = 146, and W. G. Trice 88, 98 = 186 less 36 = 145, tied for second place.

Twenty-five cards were returned.

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J. H. Taylor and Bernard Darwin will handle the tests in connection with the approaching tournament. Originally it was planned that competitors should all drive from the usual tees and then proceed to the special area for their approach shots, but it has now been decided that the driving shall take place only at the long holes. This will be done mainly for the benefit of the spectators.

All playing areas in connection with the championship will be marked off so that competitors will suffer no interference from spectators.—United Press.

HOME FOOTBALL.

ROtherham Share Points WITH HULL.

London, Yesterday. Playing in the Northern Section of Division III. of the English League to-day, Rotherham drew with Hull—one goal each.—Reuter.

Goals
P. W. D. L. F. A. Pts.
Chesterfield .42 26 6 10 102 57 58
Lincoln .41 24 7 10 101 58 55
Tranmere .41 24 6 11 111 71 54
Wrexham .41 20 12 9 93 62 52
Southport .40 21 8 11 85 55 50
Stockport .42 20 9 13 77 61 49
Hull .41 19 10 12 95 55 48
Carlisle .41 19 5 17 95 81 43
Gateshead .41 18 13 13 68 72 43
Wigan .41 18 5 17 76 85 43
York .41 18 6 17 84 80 42
Darlington .41 18 6 16 71 59 41
Accrington .42 18 9 18 108 39
Rotherham .41 13 11 17 80 32 37
Doncaster .41 12 10 18 65 45 26
Barrow .41 13 6 20 67 88 36
Halifax .41 13 9 19 54 87 35
N. Brighton .42 12 7 22 49 76 33
Crewe .41 14 5 22 65 92 33
Hartlepools .41 12 6 23 67 84 30
Rochdale .42 12 6 24 62 107 30
Nelson .41 6 7 28 43 109 19

LOCAL FOOTBALL.

SOUTH CHINA AGAINST "THE REST."

The following have been selected to represent "The Rest" against South China A.A., the champions of the First Division, on Saturday on the Club ground at 5 p.m.—
Rodger (Club); Blackburn (Argylls), Ward (Navy); Hedley (Kowloon), McElveen (Kowloon) (captain), Lam Yuk-ying (Athletic); Gossano (Recreio), McTavish (Argylls), A. V. Gossano (Recreio), Grimwood (Kowloon) and Lanson (Kowloon).

Reserves: Martin, Strange, Hay, Yeoman, Loudon and Hughes.

At the conclusion of this match the League trophies will be presented by Mrs. J. Ormston. The winners' and runners-up of the First and Second Divisions and the winners of the Third Division are requested to have a representative present to receive their trophies.

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No one spoke till at last the goalkeeper got up from a back seat and, waving his hands towards this masterpiece of Devon scenery, shouted at the top of his voice, "Ee, lads look at it! And then we swank about Wigan!"

Our Sports Diary.

LOCAL.

ATHLETICS—To-morrow—Inter-School Sports at Caroline Hill.

LAWN TENNIS—To-day—H.K.C.C. Doubles Tournament.

Thursday—Meeting of H.K.

L.T.A. at 6.30 p.m.; Open Singles Championship Final at 4.30 p.m.

CHESS—To-day—Open Championship; Kowloon Chess Club Junior Championship.

Friday—Kowloon Chess Club Junior Championship.

FOOTBALL—To-day—Division I—Club v. Borderers at 5 p.m.

To-morrow—Division I—South China v. Navy at 5 p.m. on Club ground; Division II—University v. Argylls on Kowloon ground at 5.15 p.m.

Thursday—Division I—Club v. Kowloon on Club ground at 5 p.m.

Saturday—Division I—Borderers v. R.A.; South China (Champions) v. Rest of the League on Club ground at 5 p.m.

HOCKEY—To-day—Y.M.C.A.

II. v. K.L.H.C. at King's Park.

Saturday—H.K.L.H.C. (Champions) v. The Rest of the League.

RACING—Saturday—Fourth Extra Race Meeting.

LAWN BOWLS—Saturday—Opening of League Season.

May 9—Entries close for Open Singles Championship.

HOME.

LAWN TENNIS—To-day—British Hard Court Championships at Bournemouth (Second day).

RACING—To-morrow—Two Thousand Guineas.

CRICKET—Saturday—Opening of English Cricket Season.

RUGBY—Saturday—Rugby League Cup Final.

HOME RUGBY RESULTS.

Blackheath Trounced by Leicester.

Gloucester—Harlequins 13-10.

Leicester—Blackheath 25-5.

Neath—Newport 15-8.

Exeter—Devonport Services 10-5.

Cardiff—Aberavon 8-3.

Plymouth—Bristol 12-3.

Northampton—Alleylands 31-8.

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"Billy the Kid" lived again last night at the Queen's Theatre in the person of John Mack Brown, leading character of a new Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer talkie by that deftly human director, King Vidor.

There may be incidental criticisms of historical details by some to whom the study of the west is a fetish, but these should not bother Vidor or Brown. They should be satisfied with the thought that their creation is a vital thing, a living page torn from the days before law came into the prairie country.

Vidor, Wanda Tuchock, the scenarist, Laurence Stallings and Charles MacArthur, who wrote the dialogue, have preserved splendidly the historically melodramatic situations of the three days siege of the McSween home; Billy's capture and his daring escape from jail. Their only deviation of any major degree has been the introduction of a romance in the person of the charming Kay Johnson.

In all stories about Billy, Paulita Maxwell is generally credited with being his chief feminine interest. On the screen, however, Claire comes from Britain to marry Tunstall, played by Wyndham Standing. When Tunstall's death starts the "Lincoln County War," Claire is carried right along with the dramatic sweep of the tale. She is not a picturization of the much-discussed Paulita, but a new character entirely.

Vidor's casting of well known historic characters is splendidly done. Those who devoured the tales of "Billy the Kid" since their childhood days will find interest in the intensely human portrayal of Wallace Beery as Sheriff Garrett; Karl Dane as Swenson, the comic cowboy.

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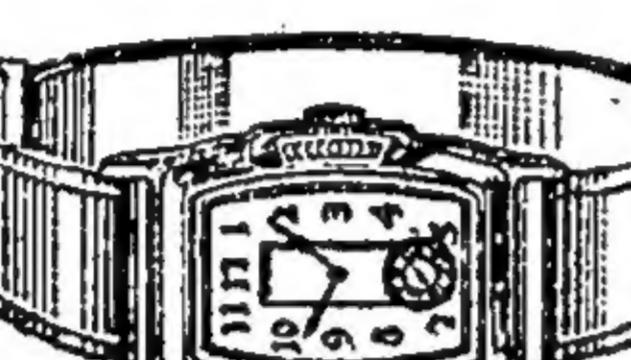
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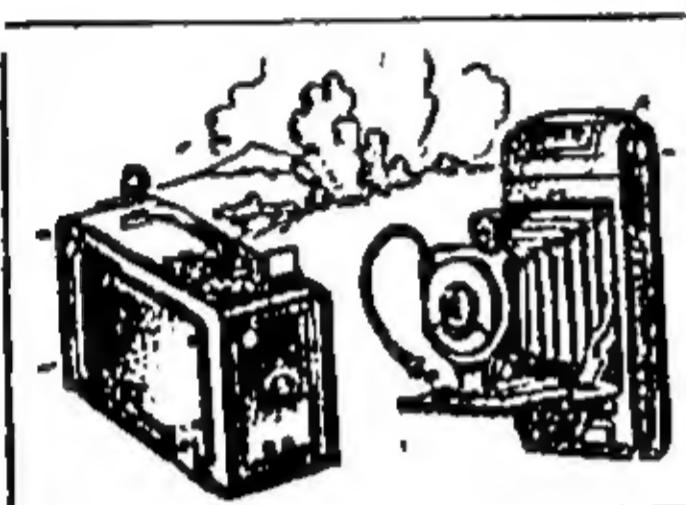
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Singapore, April 11. Some time ago it was suggested that Mr. Earle, who has achieved such great success with his station VSIAB, should try broadcasting concerts of a more varied nature than the usual gramophone record selections. A few days ago the experiment was tried and local reports have proved it an unqualified success. It was on Wednesday before last that VSIAB on 41.7 metres broadcast a concert programme, vocal items being given by Mrs. R. L. Nunn and by Paymaster Lt. Commander Rae. Commencing with the usual gramophone records electrically produced, the station switched over at 9.45 to the trial programme relayed over some miles of telephone line from Keppel House, the residence of the Chairman, Singapore Harbour Board. Vocal items included the following: Handel's Largo and My Dear Soul (Wilfred Sanderson), sung by Mrs. R. L. Nunn with Mr. Nunn at the piano, and Drink to Me only with thine eyes and Water Bay (A. Robinson) sung by Paymaster Lt. Commander Rae with Mrs. Rae at piano. After a few more records played on the electric gramophone, Mrs. Nunn and Paymaster Lt. Commander Rae gave further items from their repertoire, the concert winding up at 10.30 p.m. The experiment has proved a very popular one and listeners have expressed the wish that further concerts be organised. Another wireless concert will be broadcast on Sunday (to-morrow) commencing at 9.45 p.m. with Mrs. R. L. Nunn, Pay, Lt. Commander Rae, Messrs. Gordon Osborne, R. L. Eber, T. Barker and R. Waddle obliging. This will again be at Keppel House, relayed by telephone and broadcast from VSIAB on 47.7 or 42 metres.

Findhoven Dance Programme. Thursday night's popular dance programme from PCJ (Eindhoven) Holland, was very enjoyable. Once more we were given those two favourites, "I love you all" and "I want to do things for you." Mr. Startz, the announcer, gave details of future broadcasts by "The International Shortwave Station" and said that night's broadcast, on 31.8 metres, was being done on aerial B which is directed east and west. PCJ's schedule, subject to slight alterations, was announced as follows: Wednesdays from 17 to 20 o'clock, Thursdays from 14 to 18 o'clock and from 22 to two (at

night). On Friday from 18 to 20 and from 2 to 6 and sometimes 7 on Friday-Saturday. The times stated are, of course, G.M.T. reckoning. One of the best records put on during Thursday's concert was Minstrel Show of 1929. As usual, reports were requested. The transmission was good and there was no interference. Slight fading was noticeable later.

The writer of these notes has recently shifted his aerial from town to Siglap. The change is one for the better. Gone are the annoying oscillators that used to spoil every attempt to listen-in in town. The aerial rigged up here is only some twenty feet in overall length and only about twenty feet off the ground but it works quite well. Conditions have been fairly satisfactory during the week but storms have interfered with late-at-night listening.

The Java stations have been on regularly with their usual good musical programmes. PLE on 15.93 metres was well received. The brief broadcasts of gramophone records from PLM have been picked up almost every day. Saigon Concert.

Saigon has been as good as ever. Easter Monday's concert included Chopin's famous Ballade. Alix Andrée Soyer made a great success with the playing of the piece. Wednesday's chamber music was well worth listening to and on Thursday the violin solo by Robert Barras was very successfully tuned in. To-morrow night's programme from Saigon includes a flute solo by Jean Chevray. Listeners are wondering what has become of Radio Saigon's saxophone expert. His contributions used to be keenly awaited but he has not been heard for some time. Many listeners commented on the excellent manner in which the saxophone lends itself to broadcasts.

The General Electric Company are soon to receive models of the new Gecophone all-wave receivers which have been produced to fill the demand for a radio receiver giving world-wide reception of stations on the broadcast band (200,600 metres). A very important feature of this set is that it has been built to a stringent specification to meet tropical conditions. The set is enclosed in a cabinet of solid brass, dull nickel-plated on the inside and crystalline enamelled on the outside. There are two main tuning controls with the latest type vernier indicating dials and one auxiliary control which is a trimming condenser.

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KONIGSBERGEN CONTINUES.

The Konigsbergen transmitter was to cease operating as soon as the large Hellsberg transmitter would be ready for use. During the experiments conducted with this new transmitter, it was found that the Hellsberg transmissions were excellently received in a large part of Germany, whilst on the other hand the reception in Konigsberg was less favourable. For the time being the old Konigsberg transmitter will therefore pass on the Hellsberg programme on a wave-length of 217 metres.

RENEGADES

COMING 12.12

RADIO TOPICS

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME.

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station 2.B.W. on a wavelength of 355 metres.

6.8 p.m.—European Programme of Columbia Records kindly supplied by the Anderson Music Co.

6.6.40 p.m.—Variety.

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Nights of Gladness,

The London Novelty Orchestra

(MR291).

Humorous Song—

In Great Grandma's Days,

Florence Oldham (DB410).

Entertainment—

The Isle of Hostcha Kootcha,

I Had to Go and Draw Another

Found Out,

Norman Long (DB412).

Chorus—

Is Yer Mamie Always With Ye?

Kit Keen & Male Quartette (DB418).

Song—

It's Been a Long Time Gone,

Kit Keen, Baritone (DB418).

Orchestra Solo—

My Sunshine Came on a Rainy Day,

Terance Casey (DB428).

Humorous Song—

There Beant no Flier on We,

Gooseberry Tart,

Billie Richardson and West

Country Humorist

(MR294).

Vocal Duet—

Malin' Wicky-Wacky Down In

Waikiki,

Bathing in the Sunshine,

Layton & Johnstone (DB429).

6.40-7 p.m.—Octets.

Perpetuum Mobile

(Weber arr. Crooke),

Valse Caprice

(Rubenstein arr. Crooke),

J. H. Squire Celeste Octet

(9287).

Chant Sans Parole

(Tschaikowski arr. Sear),

J. H. Squire Celeste Octet

(9608).

An Irish Love Song (Squire),

An Old Church Legend (Trineen),

J. H. Squire Celeste Octet

(DB42).

7.02-7.27 p.m.—Band Selections.

The Nightingale & the Frog

(Ellenberg),

The Parade of the Tin Soldiers

(Jessel),

The Band of H.M. Royal Air Force (MR290).

Hyde Park Suite—

Sunday Morning Church Parade,

Rotten Row,

On the Serpentine,

Around the Bandstand (Jalowez),

The Regimental Band of

H.M. Grenadier Guards

(DX221).

Regimental March Medley

The Regimental Band of

H.M. Grenadier Guards

(9386).

7.27-8 p.m.—A Concert.

Duet—

a. To My First Love

(Hamilton & Lohr),

b. You'd Better Ask Me

(Lover & Lohr),

The Little Irish Girl

(Teschemacher & Lohr),
Dora Lobbette and Hubert
Eisell (DB431).

Piano Solo—
Wiegenlied (Schubert & Godowsky),
Jose Echpniz (D2356).

Song—
Song of the Highway (May),

Raymond Newell, Baritone

(DB430).

Violin Solo—
Roumanian Folk Dances

(Dartok-Szekely),
Joseph Szegedi (2293).

Duet—
In an Old-Fashioned Town

(Harris & Squire),

Joan Foster & Peter Macrae

(MR202).

Piano Solo—
Paraphrase on Rigoletto Quartet

(Verdi-Lizst),
Irene Schraver (2395).

8.05-11.30 p.m.—Ko Shing

Theatre Relay.

11.30 p.m.—Close Down.

WAR ON RADIO.

ASSOCIATION WANTS SOME CONTROL CREATED.

New York, April 23. The American Newspaper Publishers Association to-day adopted resolutions calling for action designed to meet the competition of the radio as a news-disseminating and advertising medium.

One resolution suggested that radio programmes, "if published, should be handled as paid advertising."

Another dealt with the investigation of "the legality of the radio broadcasting of direct advertising."

A third recommended an amendment of the federal radio laws to prohibit the broadcasting of lottery advertising.

The first resolution also provided that, inasmuch as the newspapers pay for the creation of all press association reports, a committee be appointed to confer "with the press associations on the question of broadcasting news reports, with the object of confining the broadcasting news reports to the press associations and the newspapers, and to bring about the proper regulation of such news broadcasting by the press associations and the newspapers." —Associated Press.

TRACKED BY WIRELESS.

Importance Of New Methods Of Crime Detection.

The "extraordinary value" of wireless-equipped police cars in

PRINTED PAGES BY RADIO.

Amazing New High-Speed Transmitter.

High-speed facsimile transmitting machines which are expected to completely revolutionise the long distance transmission of documents and news were demonstrated at the International Telephone and Telegraph Laboratories at Hendon recently.

The new machine is capable of transmitting 120 printed pages containing 180,000 words in one hour.

It is claimed that the new apparatus, unlike previous inventions, can utilise wireless telegraph and wireless telephone channels because it automatically eliminates static noises and atmospheric echoes.

The laboratory model of the new invention was shown to British and American journalists. In one hour it transmitted 60 pages of type which were reproduced on a continuous strip of ordinary photographic paper which was almost simultaneously developed.

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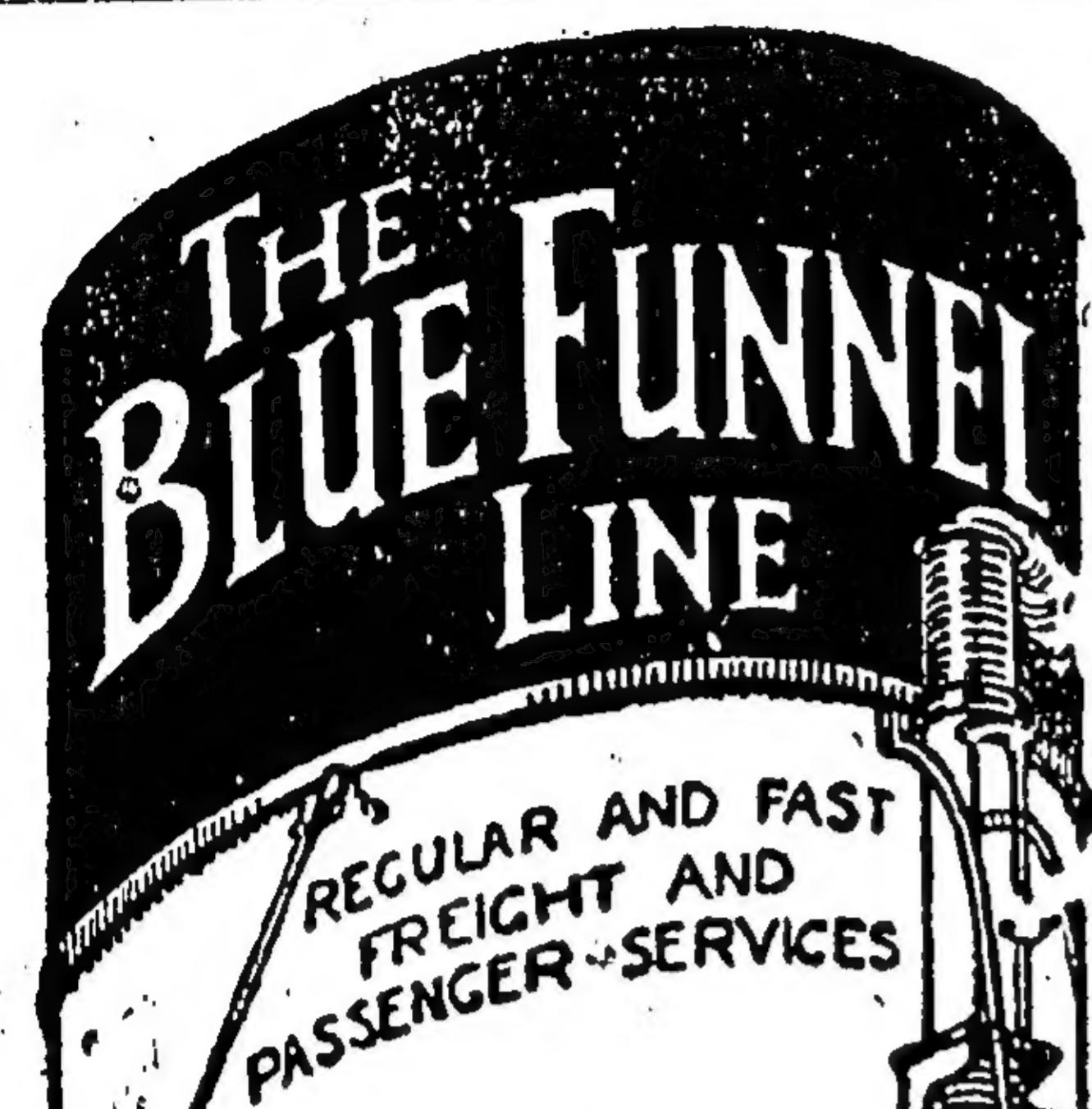
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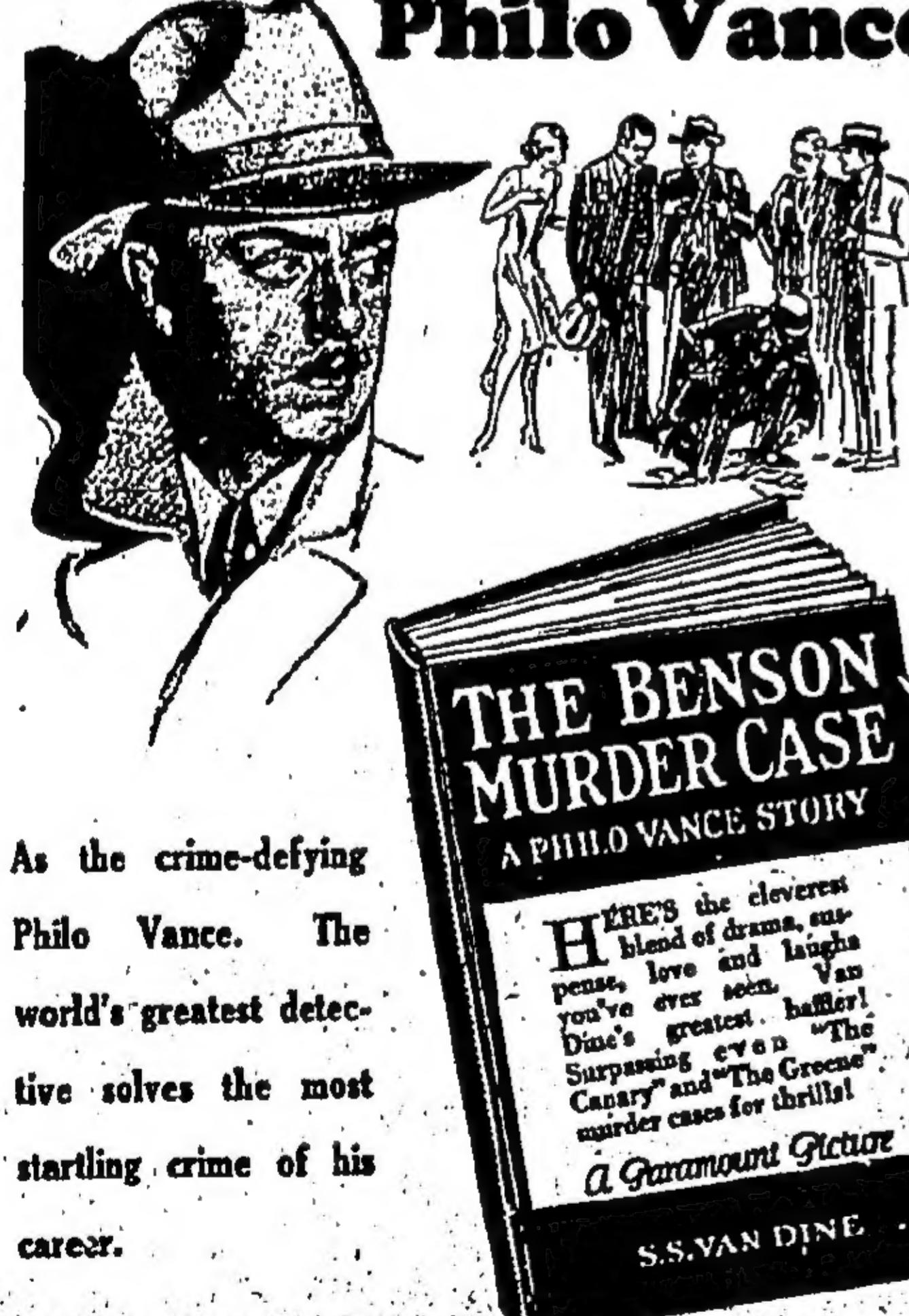
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8a, Wyndham Street, Hong Kong.

SOVIET CONTRACT FOR BRITISH FIRM.

Vickers to Build Big
Electrical Plant.

"FIVE YEAR PLAN."

London, Yesterday. An agreement has been signed between the Soviet Government and the Metropolitan Vickers Electrical Company whereby the latter will provide expert technical assistance for a plant to be built in Russia by the All-Union Electro Technical Combine.

The plant will extend to the largest capacity required for the generation and distribution of electricity to be employed in connection with the Soviet's Five Year Plan of industrial development.—Reuter.

EX-DICTATOR OF SPAIN ARRESTED.

Major Franco's Brother
to Defend Him.

WARRANT FOR HEREDIA.

Madrid, Yesterday. The ex-Dictator of Spain, General Berenguer, has been arrested.

A warrant has also been issued for the arrest of General Fernandez Heredia, who was Captain General at Aragon under the old regime. It is stated that General Franco, brother of the airman, will defend General Berenguer.—Reuter.

RETURN OF COURT.

POSTPONED Owing to the
KING'S HEALTH.

RESULT OF BAD WEATHER.

London, Yesterday. Their Majesties have cancelled their proposed visit to Aldershot on May 14, and the Court's return to London has now been postponed from May 4, the recent bad weather having kept the King indoors.

The Court will not return until His Majesty has been able to enjoy some sunshine at Windsor.

Earlier News.

London, Yesterday. H.M. the King dined with other members of the Royal Family yesterday evening for the first time since Good Friday.

His Majesty has now completely recovered, and the Court returns to London on May 4.—Reuter.

"BOY" FINED.

CHARGED WITH TRESPASS AT
SHAMSHUIPO.

Li Kwan, stated to be an ex-boy of the Shamshui Po Barracks, appeared at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning charged with trespassing on military premises, and with wilfully damaging two panes of glass to the extent of \$1.50.

Pte. Robert McBurney said that he arrested the defendant at 8.30 p.m. yesterday. The man was hanging around bungalow B5 and was acting in a suspicious manner. Witness stated that he also saw the defendant in the same place on Friday last, trying to remove bolt fitting from the window. On that occasion defendant broke away and escaped.

When questioned, the defendant said that the panes of glass were cracked while he was playing with another man, who had also run away. A screwdriver, alleged to

TRAFFIC CASES.

EUROPEAN FINED FOR
"SPEEDING."

LORRY DRIVER CHARGED.

A number of traffic summonses, three of which were for speeding, were dealt with by Mr. W. Schofield in the Central Police Court this morning.

Mr. R. L. Marshall was charged with having driven a motor cycle in Queen's Road East on April 11 at a speed which was dangerous to the public.

Traffic-Sergeant Guild said that defendant drove between Gresson Street to Spring Garden Lane at a speed of 35 miles per hour.

Mr. Marshall: In the circumstances I am guilty. When the Sergeant stopped me I was quite surprised. I did not realise that I was speeding at the time. A fine of \$25 was imposed.

Failed To Report.

Pheng Prasop, a Siamese driver, was summoned for having failed to report an accident to the Police within reasonable time.

Traffic-Inspector Alexander said that defendant drove Dr. W. T. Woo along Arsenal Street on April 10, and knocked down a Chinese child. They took him to hospital for treatment, but failed to notify the Police. A week later Dr. Woo saw him (Inspector Alexander) about the matter, but it was too late.

The child was not seriously hurt, and it was his father who reported the accident to No. 2 Police Station that evening.

Prasop explained in Chinese that his master prevented him from making a report, as the accident was not a serious one. It was his intention to report the mishap to the Police.

Remarking that it was not a serious case, his Worship imposed a fine of \$5.

Learner Fined.

Peter Chan was summoned for having committed a breach of his learner's licence by driving in a road which was not specified in the regulations, namely Lockhart Road. He admitted the offence and was fined \$5. The owner of the vehicle, Li Cheuk-chi, was also fined \$5 for having allowed defendant to drive there. Inspector Nicoll, who prosecuted, said: "I was testing a learner that day, and as soon as he saw me defendant stopped dead, and that is what made me go up and ask him if he had a licence or not."

A summons for speeding along Tung Lo-wan Road was admitted by the Chinese driver of a Hong Kong Tramway Company's motor bus.

Sergeant Guild said that defendant drove at a speed of 30 m.p.h. between Ah King's slipway and the Wharfside Market. A European lady passenger told him (the Sergeant) that defendant had driven fast all the way from town. As defendant's record was good, the Magistrate imposed a fine of \$20.

Dangerous Speed.

In another case, a fine of \$25 was imposed on the Chinese driver of a lorry, who pleaded guilty to having driven the vehicle to the common danger.

Inspector Nicoll explained that he was sitting in a lorry which was proceeding down Pokfulam Road towards West Point. At the same time a private motor car was being driven in the opposite direction, and, at the bend, defendant's lorry cut across them at a speed of 30 miles per hour.

have been in the possession of the accused, was produced in Court by the witness.

Fines of \$50 on the first count and \$25 on the second were imposed, with the option of one month and three weeks' imprisonment, the terms to run concurrently.

REBELS ROUTED BY LOYAL TROOPS.

"Brilliant Action" by
Force from Portugal.

PUT TO FLIGHT.

Lisbon, Yesterday. Fighting on land, sea and air in Madeira to-day resulted in the Government forces routing the rebels, of whom 17 were captured. The troops dismantled the insurgents' wireless station.

An official communique states that the Portuguese expeditionary force landed 10 miles from Funchal and put party of 70 rebels to flight. While the guns of Portuguese warships supported this "brilliant action," Portuguese aircraft silenced the rebels' artillery.—Reuter.

SEQUEL TO LOSSES ON STOCK MARKET.

Noted Revue Manager
Commits Suicide.

RUINED BY SPECULATION.

New York, Yesterday.

One of the best known managers of musical artistes in the United States, Mr. Loudon Charlton, committed suicide with a revolver to-day. His friends believe that his losses on the stock market were responsible for his action.—Reuter's American Service.

BUSINESS SLACK.

LOCAL TEMPLE RESORTS TO TOUTING.

EMPLOYEES FINED.

Two employees of the Tin Hau Temple appeared before Mr. E. H. Williams this morning charged with having distributed advertisements without a permit from the S.C.A. They pleaded guilty.

Det-Sergeant Flaherty said that, as business was slack, the Temple had resorted to distributing advertisements. The two defendants went from house to house doing this, and yesterday they called on a man living on the first floor of 43 Tung Street. His suspicion was aroused because one of the men stood at the bottom of the stairs whilst the other handed the paper. Police whistles were blown and the men were arrested. Sergeant Flaherty added that many people had been deceived from time to time by these papers.

The Magistrate imposed a fine of \$25 on each.

FREE PASSAGE.

JAIL FOR SIX CHINESE STOWAWAYS.

Six Chinese stowaways were produced at the Kowloon Police Court this morning, after attempting to obtain a free passage on the s.s. Cremer, from Singapore.

Five out of the six pleaded not guilty, saying that they had lost their tickets. The sixth man, who was found in a lifeboat, admitted his offence, and was sent to jail for six weeks, the others receiving two months' hard labour.

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Paris!

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